



Maricopa County

Air Quality Department

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Dear Resident:

We have received a report that identified the neighborhood around your home as a source of unpermitted or restricted burning. This report has not been confirmed. However, the department is taking this opportunity to help you and your neighbors to become aware of Maricopa County wood burning regulations and ordinance restrictions.

On days when air quality is forecast to approach unhealthful air quality levels, the Maricopa County Air Quality Department will declare a No Burn Day. When a No Burn Day is declared, residents and businesses are prohibited from burning wood in indoor fireplaces, outdoor fire pits, chimineas and general open outdoor fires. Should representatives from the department observe this activity on a No Burn Day, a warning letter will be issued and if subsequent burning is observed citations can be issued with monetary penalties (ARS 11-871).

Smoke from wood fires creates small particles that pose a special threat to health. During the colder months of the year, an inversion layer traps these particles close to the ground and in the air we breathe. Senior citizens and children are especially vulnerable to health impacts from high levels of fine particulates in the air and it is believed that longer term health impacts result from this exposure.

There are several ways you can learn about No Burn Day restrictions:

- Log on to www.CleanAirMakeMore.com to find out if today is a No Burn Day.
- Get the Air Quality Smartphone app. The [Clean Air Make More app](#) is free to download and use and is available for from iTunes for [iPhone](#) and [iPad](#) and from Google Play for [Android](#).
- Sign up to receive email alerts or text messages when a No Burn Day is issued at www.CleanAirMakeMore.com and click "Make the Commitment."
- Call the Maricopa County Burn Line at (602) 506-6400 for a recorded message in English and Spanish.

As stated above, this is simply an advisory letter designed to help inform you of your obligations as a resident of Maricopa County on designated No Burn Days. Please help keep our air clean and healthful by observing the No Burn Day restrictions. We thank you for your cooperation with this important clean air requirement.

Respectfully,

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